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## Rep. Hulsey Will Hold Office Hours with UW Milwaukee Students Thursday--

## Highlight His Budget Amendment to Restore \$345 Million to UW System, Tech Colleges

Madison, WI—Representative Brett Hulsey (Madison) will hold office hours Thursday to talk with UW Milwaukee students about his Get Wisconsin Working Again Budget Amendment that would have increased UW system funding \$273.8 million.

It will be from 12:30-1:30 pm at the UW Milwaukee Student Union Terrace Commons near the Union Station Restaurant, 2200 E Kenwood Blvd. For a map, see <a href="http://www4.uwm.edu/assets/ux/explore/map\_color.pdf">http://www4.uwm.edu/assets/ux/explore/map\_color.pdf</a>.

This will be before the Democrat's Making College Affordable Tour meeting at 1:30 pm.

"I want to hear from students and staff about how Governor Walker's cuts to our schools, health and retirement are hurting them," Hulsey said. Hulsey is a former UW student himself.

Representative Hulsey proposed the Get Wisconsin Working Again Budget Amendment in June to restore most of the cuts Governor Walker made to UW funding, student aid, and public servant health and retirement benefits, specifically:

- \$273.8 million to UW system students, faculty and staff;
- \$71.6 million to the Wisconsin Technical Colleges; and
- \$330 million to reverse the cuts Governor Walker made to health and retirement for 130,000 public servants in the Unfair Despair Act 10.

"As the parent of a UW Milwaukee student, we need to put our money where our children are. The skyrocketing \$1 trillion<sup>1</sup> in student debt deters many students from considering college. This means they are less likely to get a job and will likely make less money over their lifetime," said Hulsey.

"I had to drop out of college to work and take out loans to help pay my own way. I know how hard funding college can be. All my colleagues should support my measures to increase UW system and technical college funding by \$345.4 million to get Wisconsin working again."

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> One Wisconsin Institute, <a href="http://www.onewisconsinnow.org/institute/studentloandebt.html">http://www.onewisconsinnow.org/institute/studentloandebt.html</a>